

***CITY OF PARAMOUNT
ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE
PROPOSITION A LOCAL RETURN FUND
PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN FUND
MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN FUND
MEASURE M LOCAL RETURN FUND
TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT
ARTICLE 3 FUND
FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED
JUNE 30, 2020 AND 2019***



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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Honorable Members of the City Council of the
City of Paramount, California and the
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Proposition A Local Return Fund (PALRF), Proposition C Local Return Fund (PCLRF), Measure R Local Return Fund (MRLRF), Measure M Local Return Fund (MMLRF), and Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund (TDAA3F) (collectively, the Funds), of the City of Paramount, California (the City) as of and for the years ended June 30, 2020 and 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.



Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the PALRF, PCLRF, MRLRF, MMLRF and TDAA3F of the City of Paramount, California, as of June 30, 2020 and 2019, and the respective changes in their financial position for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 2, the financial statements present only the PALRF, PCLRF, MRLRF, MMLRF and TDAA3F of the City and do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the City of Paramount, California, as of June 30, 2020 and 2019, and the changes in its financial position for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Supplementary Information

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on each of the Funds' financial statements. The accompanying supplementary information as listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements.

The supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the Funds' financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the Funds' financial statements or to the Funds' financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplementary information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to each of the Funds' financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have issued our report dated November 5, 2020, on our consideration of the City's internal control over the Funds' financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over the Funds' financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over the Funds' financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the City's internal control over the Funds' financial reporting and compliance.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Simpson & Simpson".

Los Angeles, California
November 5, 2020

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
PROPOSITION A LOCAL RETURN FUND
BALANCE SHEETS
June 30

	2020	2019
ASSETS		
Cash and investments	\$ 1,147,071	\$ 933,506
Due from Metro	-	98
Interest receivable	3,269	4,807
Total assets	\$ 1,150,340	\$ 938,411
 LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 176,100	\$ 171,975
Total liabilities	176,100	171,975
 Fund Balance		
Restricted	974,240	766,436
Total fund balance	974,240	766,436
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 1,150,340	\$ 938,411

The accompanying notes are an integral part to the financial statements.

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
PROPOSITION A LOCAL RETURN FUND
STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30

	2020	2019
REVENUES		
Proposition A	\$ 1,085,752	\$ 1,122,716
Interest income	18,264	16,196
Project generated revenue (Note 8)	3,647	39,351
Total revenues	1,107,663	1,178,263
 EXPENDITURES		
Various projects	899,859	998,154
Total expenditures	899,859	998,154
 Excess of revenues over expenditures	207,804	180,109
 Fund balances at beginning of year	766,436	586,327
 Fund balances at end of year	\$ 974,240	\$ 766,436

The accompanying notes are an integral part to the financial statements.

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
PROPOSITION A LOCAL RETURN FUND
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES
ACTUAL AND METRO APPROVED PROJECT BUDGET
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020
(With Comparative Actual Amount for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019)

Project Code	Project Name	2020			2019 Actual
		Metro Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	
110-01	Community Level Transit	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	481,291
110-04	Long Beach Transit Subsidy	15,000	-	15,000	14,619
110-05	Long Beach Transit Transportation Services	500,000	474,022	25,978	161,711
140-02	Recreation Transit	20,000	4,400	15,600	8,400
170-01	Bus Stop Maintenance	30,000	23,418	6,582	20,481
170-02	Bus Stop Trash Receptacles	53,000	40,009	12,991	-
170-03	Bus Stop Design (9070)	12,000	12,055	(55)	-
220-01	Transit Security - Bus Stops and MTA Railroad ROW Patrol	85,000	98,936	(13,936)	78,610
240-05	Subsidized Taxi Services Plus Taxi Meal Delivery Services	134,000	78,145	55,855	40,197
270-11	Eco-Rapid Transit (previously Orange Line Feasibility Study (IV))	25,000	18,898	6,102	18,898
280-01	Transit Marketing - Bus Wrap	-	-	-	2,256
280-02	Transit Marketing Consulting Services	-	-	-	12,005
480-03	Prop A Administration	160,000	149,976	10,024	159,686
	Total expenditures	\$ 1,034,000	\$ 899,859	\$ 134,141	\$ 998,154

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
PROPOSITION A LOCAL RETURN FUND
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS
June 30, 2020

Date Acquired	Description	Balance 7/1/2019	Additions	Deletions	Balance 6/30/2020
2011	2010 Starcraft Allstar 25' - Unit 242	\$ 34,311	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 34,311
	Total	\$ 34,311	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 34,311

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN FUND
BALANCE SHEETS
June 30

	2020	2019
ASSETS		
Cash and investments	\$ 844,708	\$ 923,351
Interest receivable	2,299	4,762
Total assets	\$ 847,007	\$ 928,113
 LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 24,594	\$ 243,674
Total liabilities	24,594	243,674
 Fund Balance		
Restricted	822,413	684,439
Total fund balance	822,413	684,439
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 847,007	\$ 928,113

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CITY OF PARAMOUNT
PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN FUND
STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30

	2020	2019
REVENUES		
Proposition C	\$ 900,634	\$ 931,261
Interest income	10,762	16,370
Total revenues	911,396	947,631
 EXPENDITURES		
Various projects	773,422	976,509
Total expenditures	773,422	976,509
 Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	137,974	(28,878)
 Fund balance at beginning of year	684,439	713,317
 Fund balance at end of year	\$ 822,413	\$ 684,439

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CITY OF PARAMOUNT
PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN FUND
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES
ACTUAL AND METRO APPROVED PROJECT BUDGET
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020
(With Comparative Actual Amount for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019)

Project Code	Project Name	2020			2019 Actual
		Metro Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	
270-10	Intelligent Transit System Study -91/605 Corridor Phase II	\$ 30,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 20,000
270-12	Corridor Study (Phase V)	40,000	25,000	15,000	25,000
440-30	Arterial Street Resurfacing (Project 9830)	-	-	-	500,922
440-31	Arterial Street Resurfacing (9730)	-	-	-	7,679
440-33	Rosecrans Bridge Repair	80,000	3,245	76,755	-
440-34	Arterial Street Resurfacing - 2019 (9930)	750,000	453,879	296,121	-
440-35	Arterial Street Resurfacing (9030)	1,000,000	105,000	895,000	-
450-34	Orange and Somerset Signal Improvements	-	-	-	315,174
470-01	Pavement Management System Update	42,000	42,000	-	-
480-06	Prop C Administration	180,000	124,298	55,702	107,734
	Total expenditures	\$ 2,122,000	\$ 773,422	\$ 1,348,578	\$ 976,509

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN FUND
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS
June 30, 2020

Date Acquired	Description	Balance 7/1/2019	Additions	Deletions	Balance 6/30/2020
	None	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN FUND
BALANCE SHEETS
June 30

	2020	2019
ASSETS		
Cash and investments	\$ 1,042,831	\$ 1,039,894
Interest receivable	2,807	5,508
Total assets	\$ 1,045,638	\$ 1,045,402
 LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 247,411	\$ 460,041
Total liabilities	247,411	460,041
 Fund Balance		
Restricted	798,227	585,361
Total fund balance	798,227	585,361
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 1,045,638	\$ 1,045,402

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CITY OF PARAMOUNT
MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN FUND
STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30

	2020	2019
REVENUES		
Measure R	\$ 674,509	\$ 698,647
Interest income	13,687	18,039
Total revenues	688,196	716,686
 EXPENDITURES		
Various projects	475,330	971,259
Total expenditures	475,330	971,259
 Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	212,866	(254,573)
 Fund balance at beginning of year	585,361	839,934
 Fund balance at end of year	\$ 798,227	\$ 585,361

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CITY OF PARAMOUNT
MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN FUND
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES
ACTUAL AND METRO APPROVED PROJECT BUDGET
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020
(With Comparative Actual Amount for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019)

Project Code	Project Name	2020			2019 Actual
		Metro Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	
1.05	Repaving of Various Neighborhood Streets (9831)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 329,641
1.05	Neighborhood Street Resurfacing - 2019 (9931)	500,000	77,405	422,595	557,941
1.05	Neighborhood Street Resurfacing - 2020 (9031)	650,000	322,712	327,288	-
8.10	Administration	230,000	75,213	154,787	83,677
	Total expenditures	\$ 1,380,000	\$ 475,330	\$ 904,670	\$ 971,259

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN FUND
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS
 June 30, 2020

<u>Date</u> <u>Acquired</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>7/1/2019</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>6/30/2020</u>
None		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
MEASURE M LOCAL RETURN FUND
BALANCE SHEETS
June 30

	2020	2019
ASSETS		
Cash and investments	\$ 704,701	\$ 901,538
Interest receivable	1,825	4,495
Total assets	\$ 706,526	\$ 906,033
 LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 4,172	\$ 550,000
Total liabilities	4,172	550,000
 Fund Balance		
Restricted	702,354	356,033
Total fund balance	702,354	356,033
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 706,526	\$ 906,033

The accompanying notes are an integral part to the financial statements.

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
MEASURE M LOCAL RETURN FUND
STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30

	2020	2019
REVENUES		
Measure M	\$ 758,685	\$ 787,438
Interest income	5,502	12,442
Total revenues	764,187	799,880
 EXPENDITURES		
Various projects	417,866	1,015,977
Total expenditures	417,866	1,015,977
 Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	346,321	(216,097)
 Fund balance at beginning of year	356,033	572,130
 Fund balance at end of year	\$ 702,354	\$ 356,033

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CITY OF PARAMOUNT
MEASURE M LOCAL RETURN FUND
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES
ACTUAL AND METRO APPROVED PROJECT BUDGET
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020
(With Comparative Actual Amount for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019)

Project Code	Project Name	2020		Variance	2019 Actual
		Metro Budget	Actual	Favorable (Unfavorable)	
1.05	Repaving of Paramount Boulevard from Alondra to Somerset and median landscape improvements from Madison to the North City limit. (9830)	\$ -	\$ -	-	\$ 433,149
1.05	Street resurfacing on Paramount Blvd. from Rosecrans Ave. to the 105 Freeway. (9930)	100,000	122,788	(22,788)	-
1.05	Street resurfacing in neighborhood north of Somerset, east of Orange, Grant and Golden. (9931)	550,000	247,953	302,047	550,000
1.15	Extension of the bike path from Somerset to Rosecrans per ATP grant application. (9932)	180,000	8,908	171,092	-
1.05	Neighborhood Street Resurfacing - 2020 (9031)	400,000	-	400,000	-
8.10	Fund Administration	250,000	38,217	211,783	32,828
	Total expenditures	\$ <u>1,480,000</u>	\$ <u>417,866</u>	\$ <u>1,062,134</u>	\$ <u>1,015,977</u>

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
MEASURE M LOCAL RETURN FUND
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL ASSETS
June 30, 2020

<u>Date</u> <u>Acquired</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>7/1/2019</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>6/30/2020</u>
	None	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 FUND
(PURSUANT TO PUBLIC UTILITIES CODE SECTION 99234)
BALANCE SHEETS
June 30

	2020	2019
ASSETS		
Due from Metro	\$ <u>3,367</u>	\$ <u>3,155</u>
Total assets	\$ <u><u>3,367</u></u>	\$ <u><u>3,155</u></u>
 LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilities		
Due to other funds	\$ <u>3,367</u>	\$ <u>3,155</u>
Total liabilities	<u>3,367</u>	<u>3,155</u>
 Fund Balance		
Restricted	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total fund balance	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ <u><u>3,367</u></u>	\$ <u><u>3,155</u></u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part to the financial statements.

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 FUND
STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30

	2020	2019
REVENUES		
TDA 3	\$ 40,415	\$ 37,915
Interest income	-	46
Total revenues	40,415	37,961
 EXPENDITURES		
Annual Sidewalk Project	40,415	37,961
Total expenditures	40,415	37,961
 Excess of revenues under expenditures	-	-
 Fund balance at beginning of year	-	-
 Fund balance at end of year	\$ -	\$ -

The accompanying notes are an integral part to the financial statements.

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 FUND
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT
ALLOCATION FOR SPECIFIC PROJECTS
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020

<u>Project Description</u>	<u>Program Year</u>	<u>Allocations</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Unexpended Allocations</u>	<u>Project Status</u>
Local allocations					
Annual Sidewalk Repair	2019-20	\$ 40,415	\$ 40,415	\$ -	Completed
Total		<u>\$ 40,415</u>	<u>\$ 40,415</u>		
Fund balance at beginning of year				-	
Fund balance at end of year				<u>-\$ -</u>	

See accompanying independent auditor's report.

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2020 and 2019

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Fund Accounting

The operations of the Proposition A Local Return Fund (PALRF), Proposition C Local Return Fund (PCLRF), Measure R Local Return Fund (MRLRF), Measure M Local Return Fund (MMLRF) and Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund (TDAA3F) (collectively, the Funds) are accounted for in separate sets of self-balancing accounts that comprise their assets, liabilities, fund balance, revenues and expenditures.

PALRF and PCLRF represent 25% and 20%, respectively, of the ½ cent Proposition A and ½ cent Proposition C sales taxes which are distributed to the jurisdictions within Los Angeles County based on population and must be used exclusively for transportation related programs and projects.

MRLRF is derived from 15% of a county-wide ½ cent sales tax which is distributed to the jurisdictions within Los Angeles County based on a per capita basis and must be used exclusively for transportation purposes.

MMLRF is derived from 17% of a county-wide ½ cent sales tax which is distributed to the jurisdictions within Los Angeles County based on a per capita basis and must be used exclusively for transportation purposes.

Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund (TDAA3F) is a Special Revenue Fund that accounts for the City’s share of the Transportation Development Act Article 3 allocations which are legally restricted for specific purposes.

Basis of Accounting and Measurement Focus

PALRF, PCLRF, MRLRF, MMLRF and TDAA3F are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting whereby revenues are recognized when they become both measurable and available to finance expenditures of the current period and expenditures are generally recognized when the related fund liabilities are incurred.

Special Revenue funds are reported on the spending or “financial flow” measurement focus. This means that generally only current assets, current liabilities and deferred inflows and outflows of resources are included on their balance sheets. The statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance for Special Revenue Funds generally present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets.

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The budgeted amounts presented in this report for comparison to the actual amounts are presented in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2020 and 2019
(Continued)

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Fair Value Measurement

In accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 72, Fair Value Measurement and Application, which became effective for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016, the City categorizes its fair value measurement within the fair value hierarchy that is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the investment. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical investments; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. Accordingly, the City reports its investment at fair value and recognizes unrealized gain (loss) on investments.

Refer to City's 2020 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for detailed disclosures regarding the City's investments policy and fair value measurement.

Fund Balance Reporting

GASB Statement No.54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions, establishes the fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on extent to which a government is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of resources reported in governmental funds.

The PALRF, PCLRF, MRLRF, MMLRF and TDAA3F report the following fund balance classification as of June 30, 2020:

- Restricted – Amounts that are constrained for specific purpose, which are externally imposed by providers, such as creditors, or amounts constrained due to constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The uses of the funds' remaining fund balances are restricted for projects approved by Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro).

Information regarding the fund balance reporting policy adopted by the City is described in Note 1 to the City's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

NOTE 2 – ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements reflect only the financial position and results of operations of the PALRF, PCLRF, MRLRF, MMLRF and TDAA3F and their compliance with the Proposition A and Proposition C Local Return Program Guidelines, Measure R Local Return Program Guidelines, Measure M Local Return Program Guidelines and Transportation Development Act Article 3 and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority Funding and Allocation Guidelines for Transportation Development Act Article 3 Bicycle and Pedestrian Funds.

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2020 and 2019
(Continued)

NOTE 3 - PROPOSITION A AND PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with Proposition A and Proposition C Local Return Program Guidelines, funds received pursuant to these guidelines may only be used for Proposition A and Proposition C Local Return approved programs. See accompanying Compliance Matrix.

NOTE 4 – MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with Measure R Local Return Program Guidelines, funds received pursuant to these guidelines may only be used for Measure R Local Return approved programs. See accompanying Compliance Matrix.

NOTE 5 – MEASURE M LOCAL RETURN COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

On June 23, 2016, the Metro Board of Directors approved the Los Angeles County Traffic Improvement Plan Ordinance, known as Measure M. In accordance with Measure M Local Return Program Guidelines, funds received pursuant to these guidelines may only be used for Measure M Local Return approved programs. See accompanying Compliance Matrix.

NOTE 6 – TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with Public Utilities Code Section 99234, funds received pursuant to this Code's section may only be used for activities relating to pedestrians and bicycle facilities. See accompanying Compliance Matrix.

NOTE 7 – CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The PALRF, PCLRF, MRLRF, MMLRF and TDAA3F's cash and investment balances were pooled with various other City funds for deposit and investment purposes. The share of each fund in the pooled cash and investments account was separately maintained and interest income was apportioned to the participating funds based on the relationship of their average quarterly balances to the total of the pooled cash and investments.

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2020 and 2019
(Continued)

NOTE 8 – PROJECT GENERATED REVENUE

Project generated revenue under PALRF for the years ended June 30, 2020 and 2019 consisted of the following:

PALRF Project generated revenue:

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Shuttle fares	\$ -	\$ 25,745
Taxi vouchers	3,647	3,858
College transit	-	1,155
Disposal of assets	-	8,593
Total revenue generated	<u>\$ 3,647</u>	<u>\$ 39,351</u>

NOTE 9 – TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT FUND REVENUE ALLOCATION

The revenue allocation for the years ended June 30, 2020 and 2019 consisted of the following:

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
FY 2018-19 allocation	\$ -	\$ 37,915
FY 2019-20 allocation	40,415	-
Total payment requested	<u>\$ 40,415</u>	<u>\$ 37,915</u>

NOTE 10 – TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT FUNDS RESERVED

In accordance with TDA Article 3 (SB821) Guidelines, funds not spent during the fiscal year have been placed on reserve in the Local Transportation Fund (LTF) account with the County Auditor-Controller to be drawn down whenever the funds become eligible for a specific project and an approved drawdown request is received by Metro. As of June 30, 2020, and 2019, the City has no funds on reserve as follows:

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
FY 2018-19 allocation	\$ -	\$ -
FY 2019-20 allocation	-	-
Available reserve balance	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2020 and 2019
(Continued)

NOTE 11 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the coronavirus outbreak a "Public Health Emergency of International Concern" and on March 10, 2020, declared it to be a pandemic. Actions taken around the world to help mitigate the spread of the coronavirus include restrictions on travel, and quarantines in certain areas, and forced closures for certain types of public places and businesses. The coronavirus and actions taken to mitigate it have had and are expected to continue to have an adverse impact on the economies and financial markets of many countries. To date, it is unknown how long these conditions will last and what the complete financial effect will be to businesses and other affected organizations, including local governmental entities.

The City has evaluated subsequent events through November 5, 2020, the date the financial statements were available to be issued and concluded no other events have occurred that require disclosure or adjustments to the financial statements.



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**Independent Auditor’s Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting
and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in
Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards***

To the Honorable Members of the City Council of the
City of Paramount, California and the
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Proposition A Local Return Fund, Proposition C Local Return Fund, Measure R Local Return Fund, Measure M Local Return Fund, and Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund (collectively, the Funds) of the City of Paramount, California (the City), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 5, 2020.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the Funds’ financial statements, we considered the City’s internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the Funds’ financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the City’s internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City’s internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. *A material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity’s financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.



Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the City's Proposition A Local Return Fund, Proposition C Local Return Fund, Measure R Local Return Fund, Measure M Local Return Fund and Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audits, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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Los Angeles, California
November 5, 2020

COMPLIANCE SECTION



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Independent Auditor's Report On Compliance

To the Honorable Members of the City Council of the
City of Paramount, California and the
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority

Report on Compliance

We have audited the compliance of the City of Paramount, California (the City) with the Proposition A and Proposition C Local Return Guidelines, Measure R Local Return Guidelines, Measure M Local Return Guidelines, Transportation Development Act Article 3, and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority's Funding and Allocation Guidelines for the Transportation Development Act Article 3 Bicycle and Pedestrian Funds (collectively, the Guidelines) for the year ended June 30, 2020.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for the City's compliance with the Guidelines.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the City's compliance based on our audit. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the Guidelines referred to in the preceding paragraph. Those standards and the Guidelines require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on Proposition A Local Return Program, Proposition C Local Return Program, Measure R Local Return Program, Measure M Local Return Program, and Transportation Development Act Article 3 Program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the City's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance with the Guidelines. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the City's compliance with the Guidelines.

Opinion on Each Local Return Program and Transportation Development Act Article 3

In our opinion, the City complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements of the Guidelines for the year ended June 30, 2020.



Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the City is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the Guidelines referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the City's internal control over compliance to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the City's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance on a timely basis. *A material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance under the Guidelines will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with the Guidelines that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Guidelines. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Simpson & Simpson".

Los Angeles, California
November 5, 2020

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
COMPLIANCE MATRIX
Year Ended June 30, 2020

Compliance Requirement		In Compliance			Questioned Costs	If no, provide details and management response.
		Yes	No	N/A		
A. Proposition A and Proposition C Local Return Funds						
1.	Uses the State Controller's Uniform System of Accounts and Records.	X			None	
2.	Timely use of funds.	X			None	
3.	Funds expended were approved and have not been substituted for property tax.	X			None	
4.	Expenditures that exceeded 25% of approved project budget have approved amended Project Description Form (Form A).	X			None	
5.	Administrative expenses are within the 20% cap of the total annual Local Return Expenditures.	X			None	
6.	All on-going and carryover projects were reported in Form B.	X			None	
7.	Annual Project Summary Report (Form B) was submitted on time.	X			None	
8.	Annual Expenditure Report (Form C) was submitted on time.	X			None	
9.	Cash or cash equivalents are maintained.	X			None	
10.	Accounting procedures, record keeping, and documentation are adequate.				None	
11.	Pavement Management System (PMS) in place and being used for Street Maintenance or Improvement Projects Expenditures.	X			None	
12.	Local Return Account is credited for reimbursable expenditures.	X			None	
13.	Self-Certification was completed and submitted for Intelligent Transportation Systems projects or elements.			X	None	ITS Certification was not required for Prop A and Prop C fund in FY19/20.
14.	Assurances and Understandings form was on file.	X			None	
15.	Recreational transit form was submitted on time.	X			None	

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
COMPLIANCE MATRIX
Year Ended June 30, 2020
(Continued)

Compliance Requirement		In Compliance			Questioned Costs	If no, provide details and management response.
		Yes	No	N/A		
B. Measure R Local Return Fund						
1.	Funds were expended for transportation purposes.	X			None	
2.	Fund were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes unless there is a funding shortfall.	X			None	
3.	Signed Assurances and Understandings was on file.	X			None	
4.	Separate Measure R Local Return Account was established.	X			None	
5.	Revenues received including allocations, project generated revenues and interest income was properly credited to the Measure R Local Return Account.	X			None	
6.	Funds were expended with Metro's approval.	X			None	
7.	Expenditure Plan (Form One) was submitted on time.	X			None	
8.	Expenditure Report (Form Two) was submitted on time.	X			None	
9.	Timely use of funds.	X			None	
10.	Administrative expenditures are within the 20% cap.	X			None	
11.	Fund exchanges were approved by Metro.			X	None	There were no fund exchanges in FY19/20.
12.	A separate account was established for capital reserve funds and capital reserve was approved by Metro.			X	None	No capital reserve fund established for Measure R fund in FY19/20.
13.	Recreational transit form was submitted on time.			X	None	Recreational transit form was not required for Measure R in FY19/20.

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
COMPLIANCE MATRIX
Year Ended June 30, 2020
(Continued)

Compliance Requirement		In Compliance			Questioned Costs	If no, provide details and management response.
		Yes	No	N/A		
C. Measure M Local Return Fund						
1.	Funds were expended for transportation purposes.	X			None	
2.	Funds were used to augment, not supplant existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes unless there is a fund shortfall.	X			None	
3.	Signed Assurances and Understandings was on file.	X			None	
4.	Separate Measure M Local Return Account was established.	X			None	
5.	Revenue received including allocations, project generated revenues and interest income was properly credited to the Measure M Local Return Account.	X			None	
6.	Funds were expended with Metro's approval.	X			None	
7.	Expenditure Plan (Form One) was submitted on time.	X			None	
8.	Expenditure Report (Form Two) was submitted on time.	X			None	
9.	Timely use of funds.	X			None	
10.	Administrative expenses are within the 20% cap.	X			None	
11.	Fund exchanges were approved by Metro.			X	None	There were no fund exchanges in FY19/20.
12.	A separate account was established for capital reserve funds and capital reserve was approved by Metro.			X	None	No capital reserve fund established for Measure M fund in FY19/20.
13.	Recreational transit form was submitted timely.			X	None	Recreational transit form was not required for Measure M fund in FY19/20.

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
COMPLIANCE MATRIX
 Year Ended June 30, 2020
 (Continued)

Compliance Requirement		In Compliance			Questioned Costs	If no, provide details and management response.
		Yes	No	N/A		
D. Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund						
1.	Timely use of funds.	X			None	
2.	Expenditures were incurred for activities relating to pedestrian and bicycle facilities and amenities.	X			None	

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
June 30, 2020

No findings were noted.

EXIT CONFERENCE

CITY OF PARAMOUNT
PROPOSITION A, PROPOSITION C, MEASURE R, MEASURE M LOCAL RETURN FUNDS AND
TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 FUND
EXIT CONFERENCE
June 30, 2020

An exit conference was held on November 16, 2020 with the City of Paramount. Those in attendance were:

Simpson & Simpson Representative:

Tian Bian, Senior Auditor

City's Representative:

Clyde Alexander, Assistant Finance Director

Matters Discussed:

Results of the audit disclosed no significant control deficiencies and no non-compliance issue with Metro Guidelines.

A copy of this report was forwarded to the following City representative(s) for their comments prior to the issuance of the final report:

Clyde Alexander, Assistant Finance Director

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RE: CITY OF PARAMOUNT ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE PROPOSITION A LOCAL RETURN FUND, PROPOSITION C LOCAL RETURN FUND, MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN FUND, MEASURE M LOCAL RETURN FUND AND TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT ARTICLE 3 FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2020 AND 2019

I have received the annual financial report of the Proposition A Local Return Fund, Proposition C Local Return Fund, Measure R Local Return Fund, Measure M Local Return Fund and Transportation Development Act Article 3 Fund for the years ended June 30, 2020 and 2019 for the City of Paramount and agree with the contents of the report except as indicated below:

(Attach additional pages if necessary)

Very truly yours,

Name

Title

Date